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SUBJECT: SEC INVESTIGATION: TEXTRON AND GHANA

- 1. SECURTIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION NOTIFIED DEPARTMENT THAT TEXTRON CORPORATION RELEASED TO PUBLIC THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION CONCERNING SEC INVESTIGATION INTO SALE OF BELL HELICOPTERS IN GHANA IN SUMMER 1971. UNSPECIFIED MIDDLEMAN RECEIVED FROM GOG \$300,000 MORE THAN HE PAID BELL/TEXTRON, THEN TURNED THIS SUM OVER TO GHANAIAN OFFICIAL(UNNAMED) AS, IN EFFECT, A PAYOFF. TEXTRON RELEASE ALSO MENTIONS THAT COMPANY GOT INQUIRY, I.E. SOLICITATION, FROM GHANAIAN OFFICIAL BEFORE DEAL WAS SET UP.
- 2. DEPARTMENT WOULD LIKE TO BE INFORMED OF ANY GOG IN-QUIRIES ABOUT INVESTIGATION.

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